



Nipomo Community Services District
TURF REPLACEMENT REBATE PROGRAM
DESIGN SURVEY

This Design Survey is a self-assessment tool to assist in making clear decisions by addressing all components of a landscape design. Completion of this Survey will also help NCSD staff help you with any questions you may have.

HOMEOWNER NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____
ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: _____ **EMAIL:** _____

1. What hobbies do you have?
2. Do you consider this home your permanent residence or do you plan to move in a few years?
3. What do you like most about your yard?
4. What do you like least about your yard?
5. What are some other design projects you've worked on—your home or perhaps in business or social organizations?
6. Have you ever used professional design services before—architect or contractor?
7. If so, what worked well in that experience and what didn't work so well?
8. Have you determined your budget for this project? Dollar amount or high/medium/low?
9. Do you have any personal preferences in plants—some you like especially well (colors, fragrances, leaves, flowers) or some that you dislike?
10. Do you have any plant allergies or aversions to insects—especially wasps or bees?
11. Please prioritize these issues from the most important to the least important consideration in redesigning your yard:
 - a. Low maintenance
 - b. Useable spaces
 - c. Aesthetically pleasing
 - d. Which of the following phrases best describes your ideal home landscape?
 - e. Neat, orderly, well-maintained
 - f. Somewhat wild—romantic
 - g. Park-like expanse of grass
 - h. None of the above—my ideal home landscape is...

12. Please **circle** the following activities that you would like accommodated by this landscape design:

Outdoor entertaining, barbecuing, eating, relaxing/reading, sunbathing, vegetable gardening, watching/attracting wildlife, lawn sports, children's play area, or

others— please identify

13. How much leisure time will you have for weekly garden maintenance?

14. Would you be willing to pay for garden maintenance if you do not enjoy doing it yourself?

15. Are you satisfied with the way things are currently arranged for circulation—driveway, entries, and walkways?

16. If you aren't, what is it that you don't like?

17. Please list the types of materials you like for the following:

a. Pavements

b. Fences

c. Walls

18. Are there any special accessories you desire in the landscape: sculpture, water feature (pond, fountain, or other), bird feeders, birdhouses or baths, whimsical use of odds & ends to support plants, lighting fixtures, etc.?

19. Are there any other issues you want to mention?

DESIGN PRIORTIES

What is your budget?

What feeling or image do you want to express in the lawn-replacement space?

Visualize your design by staking, drawing, chalk/spray-paint outlines—whatever works for you.

With budget in mind, list your options.

Finalize your design plan.